

Docket No.: 31671-235624
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Masanobu AKIMOTO et al.

International Application No.:
PCT/JP2005/003799

International Filing Date:
March 4, 2005

Application No: Not Yet Assigned

Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned

Confirmation No: Not Yet Assigned

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Filed: Concurrently Herewith

Atty. Docket No: 31671-235624

For: METHOD OF DETECTING ALLERGEN

Customer No:

26694

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Copies of references **BA** and **BB** are enclosed.

This Information Disclosure Statement accompanies the new patent application submitted herewith.

A copy of a corresponding International Search Report (reference CA) citing documents BA and BB, together with that portion of the report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is attached.

Abstracts of the non English-language references BA and BB are also enclosed.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(h), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to therein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 22-0261, under Order No. 31671-235624. A fee transmittal is enclosed.

Dated: September 5, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

By Nancy J. Axelrod
Nancy J. Axelrod

Registration No.: 44,014
VENABLE LLP
P.O. Box 34385
Washington, DC 20043-9998
(202) 344-4000
(202) 344-8300 (Fax)
Attorney/Agent For Applicant

#780901

PTO/SB/05a/b (07-06)

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/B/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				Complete If Known	
				Application Number	Not Yet Assigned 10/591,834
				Filing Date	Concurrently Herewith
				First Named Inventor	Masanobu Akimoto
				Art Unit	Not Yet Assigned 1641
Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned				
Attorney Docket Number	31671-235624				
Sheet	1	of	1		

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number Number-Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
JLG/	BA	JP 2002-253230-A	09-10-2002	DAIICHI KASEI:KK		✓
JLG/	BB	JP 2003-155297-A	05-27-2003	NIPPON MEAT PACKERS INC		✓

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinda Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²
JLG/	CA	International Search Report dated May 31, 2005, issued in PCT/JP2005/003799	

#780903

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Examiner Signature	/James L. Grun/	Date Considered	06/14/2009
--------------------	-----------------	-----------------	------------